

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 22: HEALTH AND WELFARE**

**Chapter 855: AID TO NEEDY PERSONS HEADING: PL 1973, c. 790, §2 (new)**

**§3174-SS. CALCULATION OF 24 MONTHS**

**1. Twenty-four month limit.** Beginning January 1, 2013, the MaineCare program may not provide coverage for buprenorphine and naloxone combination drugs for an individual for the treatment of addiction to opioids for more than a total of 24 months unless the department, prior to the expiration of the 24th month of coverage, gives prior authorization for coverage for a longer period. The 24-month limit includes months prior to January 1, 2013 for which the individual received coverage.

[ 2011, c. 477, Pt. I, §1 (NEW) . ]

**2. Documentation of impact of 24-month limit; reports.** The department shall monitor and document the impact of the 24-month limit established under subsection 1 on persons for whom coverage is terminated under this section. This documentation must include an evaluation of the impact of the termination of coverage on the use of MaineCare services by persons whose coverage is terminated and the health of those persons. By February 1st annually, the department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters that provides information regarding the impact of the limitation of coverage under this section on the use of MaineCare services and the health of persons subject to the limitation.

[ 2011, c. 477, Pt. I, §1 (NEW) . ]

**SECTION HISTORY**

2011, c. 477, Pt. I, §1 (NEW).

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